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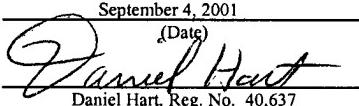
Applicant : Fouillet et al.

Appl. No. : 09/627,647

Filed : July 28, 2000

For : INTEGRATION OF  
BIOCHEMICAL PROTOCOLS  
IN A CONTINUOUS FLOW  
MICROFLUIDIC DEVICE

Examiner : Sisson, B.

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May, 4, 2001 in the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the above-captioned application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following comments.

The amended claims are shown on a separate set of pages attached hereto and entitled VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE, which follows the signature page of this Amendment. On this set of pages, the insertions are underlined while the deletions are stricken through.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

A device comprising:

a microfluidic substrate comprising at least one pathway for sample flow; and  
said microfluidic substrate further comprising at least one temperature regulated  
zone which is capable of cycling between at least two temperatures, said at least one  
temperature regulated zone being adapted to bring at least a portion of said sample